

Minerals Management Service, Interior

§250.1515

§250.1506 Where must I get training for my employees?

You must provide training by a training organization or program approved by MMS.

§250.1507 Where can I find training guidelines for other topics?

You can find guidelines in the subparts shown in the following table:

Topic	Subpart of part 250
Pollution control	C
Crane operations	A
Welding and burning	A
Hydrogen sulfide	D

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§250.1508 Can I get an exception to the training requirements?

MMS may grant an exception to well control or production safety systems training if:

(a) MMS determines that the exception won't jeopardize the safety of your personnel or create a hazard to the environment; and

(b) You need the exception because of unavoidable circumstances that make compliance infeasible or impractical.

§250.1509 Can my employees change job certification?

Only if you ensure that the employees complete training for the new job before entering on duty.

§250.1510 What must I do if I have temporary employees or on-the-job trainees?

You must ensure that temporary employees and on-the-job trainees complete the appropriate training unless a trained individual is directly supervising the employee.

§250.1511 What must manufacturer's representatives in production safety systems do?

A manufacturer's representative who is working on company supplied equipment must:

(a) Receive training by the manufacturer to install, service, or repair the

specific safety device or safety systems; and

(b) Have an individual trained in production safety systems (who is also capable of evaluating the impact of the work done) accompany her/him.

§250.1512 May I use alternative training methods?

(a) You may receive a 1-year provisional approval from MMS to use alternative training methods that may involve team or self-paced training using a computer-based system.

(b) You may receive up to 3 additional years (4 years total) from MMS to use alternative training methods (through onsite reviews).

§250.1513 What is MMS looking for when it reviews an alternative training program?

(a) The alternative training must teach methods to operate equipment that result in safe and clean operations.

(b) MMS will determine, through onsite MMS reviews and unannounced audits during the provisional period, if the:

(1) Training environment is conducive to learning;

(2) Trainees interact effectively with the moderator or training administrator;

(3) Trainees function as a team (for well control only); and

(4) Tests are challenging and cover all important safety concepts and practical procedures to ensure safety.

(c) MMS may also speak with the trainees to determine if the trainees felt the training met their needs for their job.

§250.1514 Who may accredit training organizations to teach?

MMS may accredit a training organization or program.

§250.1515 How long is a training organization's accreditation valid?

An accreditation is valid for a maximum of 4 years. A training organization may apply to MMS before the